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The Brigham Young Graveside Monument to be erected by the Sons of Utah Pioneers and dedicated on June 1, 1974



# The President's Message

By Thomas A. Lambert

## The 1974 Challenge



s 1973 bows out, we review the year that has gone. Trustfully we look into a coming year knowing that upon the lessons of the past we shall build

a more perfect future.

It is the season of *love*, a time of *giving*, understanding, and of course every new year calls for pledges and resolutions.

Let's pause a moment: Count our blessings, express our appreciation for the great heritage we enjoy as Sons of the Pioneers who gave so much of themselves so that we enjoy what we do today. It is now our turn to give of ourselves to bring love and peace to the world. We who understand the purpose of life and the true relationship within the human family, must set the example in cultivating the spirit of loving brotherhood, which is the world's dire need.

Over forty years ago John A. Widtsoe, of the Council of the Twelve stated: "The world's turmoil and distress can be corrected only by letting love grow among humankind." The remedy, the solution remains the same today as it did when Elder Widtsoe uttered this statement. In fact the same formula was introduced by Christ nearly two thousand years

Let us do our part during the coming year of 1974, following the gospel of love; become like our Master, which should be our greatest ambition. We as members of his Church, having the gospel in its fullness should radiate love

and peace wherever we go.

My lady Marjorie and Li

My lady Marjorie and I recently returned from a most enjoyable trek. A group of 50, sponsored by the Mormon Battalion visited several key points of the historic Mormon Battalion march. As we visited with the saints living in Santa Fe, New Mexico; Douglas and Tucson, Arizona and El Centro and San Diego, Calif., we found the spirit of love the influence of good will to all men. An experience we will long remember.

May 1974 be a year of fulfilling your righteous desires and you and your family will enjoy the blessings of health and a great deal of happiness.

AN EMPTY HEAD and fullheartmake a sentimentalist; a full head and an empty heart make a skeptic; the empty head and the empty heart make a fool; and a full head and a full heart make a sage. —Nephi Jensen.



"I suppose a retired printer must have lots of memories." - Courtesy Look Magazine.

#### HEAVEN IS FULL OF ANSWERS

By Ruth Bell Graham (In Decisions Magazine)

The center of power, it has been said, is to be found not in the summit meetings, the peace conferences, or the United Nations, but rather where a child of God prays for God's will to be done in his life, his home, and in the world about him.

We cannot pray and remain the same. We cannot pray and have our homes remain the same. We cannot pray and have the world about us remain the same. God has decreed to act in response to prayer. "Ask," he commands us. And Satan trembles for fear we will.

Alexander the Great once gave a poor man a city and when he modestly refused it as too great for him, Alexander replied, "The business is not what thou art fit to receive but what it becometh me to give."

Someone has said that in praying for those we love we must remember: (1) the love of God that wants the best for them; (2) the wisdom of God that knows what is best for them; and (3) the power of God that can accomplish it.

"Heaven must be full of answers to prayers for which no one ever bothered to ask" (Cameron Thom-

pson).

A LONDON SCIENTIST claims the inside of the earth is not so hot as has been stated . . . Whereupon we would like to suggest neither is the outside!

TEXT FOR TODAY: "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for inasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

—I Corinthians 15:58

MOST OF US REALIZE we are in the world to help others, but we have a hard time understanding what others are in the world for.



## Power In The Home

It takes more endurance, more patience, more healthy emotion to rear a decent, happy human being than to be an atomic scientist, a politician or a psychiatrist. — Dr. John Sutherland Bonnell.

ince time immemorial we have assumed that community and economic influences are the most important factors in the lives of human beings. Certainly, the existence of slums and of poverty and the lack of wholesome recreational facilities are factors in juvenile delinquency, but are they the foremost contributing causes?

Far and away the influence of the home, of parents, of brothers and sisters, is the most important single element in determining character. The memorable answer which Oliver Wendell Holmes gave when asked at what age one should begin to train a child was: "You should begin with his grandfather." This answer is scientifically correct because the influences which play upon the life of a child have their beginnings long before he was born.

Psychologists tell us that most delinquents have started on the wrong course before the age of six. The character pattern already shows signs of being warped. Home influences therefore, transcend every other factor because in early and impressive years the child is learning to be selfish or unselfish, to choose between right and wrong, to know the difference between justice and injustice, to consider the rights of others and to learn about tolerance and fair play.

Delinquents do not necessarily come from the homes of the underprivileged and the poor. A considerable percentage of them comes from middle-class and some from upperclass families. They break out in any social strata, especially where the parents are too busy with other things that they have no time to devote to the well-being of their children. Such homes are the breeding places of delinquents.

The celebrated Judge Camille Kelley who long has been salvaging children from society's scrap heap, after working with 45,000 youngsters over a period of 30 years, has observed: "The child's richest heritage is a well-ordered home. If every child had such an opportunity, delinquency would fade from court records. There would be no need for juvenile courts or juvenile judges."

David O. McKay, the late beloved prophet and president of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has said: "No amount of success . . . can compensate for failure in the home." Since Pres. McKay said that the entire Chruch teaching format has been concentrated on perfecting family relations — the peaceful, kindly, loving influence of the home.

That is the ideal the Psalmist had in mind when he says: "God setteth the solidary in families. He bringeth out those who are bound with chains . . . but the rebellious dwell in a dry land."

## The SUP: Mostly Benefits



prominent scion of a pioneer family, when invited to become a member of the national society, Sons of the Utah Pioneers, inquired: "What's in it for me?" The proselyting member, of course would, of course, preferred to have him ask: "What good could I do for the SUP?"

Let us answer the question of our prospect. The Sons of the Utah Pioneers helps the member to promote within his family, among his friends and neighbors, also his business associates, the American ideals and the vision of personal freedom and opportunity, so wonderfully exemplified by the achievements of our Utah Pioneers. It provides the member, in cooperation with other sons, cooperation in planning, organizing and executing projects, perpetuating the lofty idealism of these sturdy frontiersmen.

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The question: "What's in it for me?" is answered in Article IX of the SUP Constitution; "It is an educational, historical and benevolent society intended to develop and promote cordial association among its members — good Citizenship and appreciation of the ideals and vision of the pioneers and the carrying forth of projects intending to the betterment of the American way of life."

Naturally, the society's effectiveness in attaining these goals depends upon the numbers participating in the various activities. That is why our chapters are all striving diligently to influence more of our eligible neighbors and friends to become acquainted with our policies and goals. A number of chapters are enjoying considerable success in gaining new members by inviting non-member guests to their dinner-meetings.

Our responsibility as active, enthusiastic members of the Sons of Utah Pioneers is to bring into active participation every eligible pioneer descendent. All of our former presidents have constantly encouraged members to bring this choice social, intellectual and spiritual activity to at least one new member each month.

The devoted and enthusiastic SUP members should have no difficulty answering the investigator's question: "What's in it for me?"

MOST OF THOSE POLITICAL CANDIDATES who have announced that they will run, are only going to take a little walk!

"READ YOUR BIBLE CAMPAIGN GETS UNDER WAY," headline ... A chapter a day keeps the devil away!

TEST FOR TODAY: "I shook my lap and said, So God shake out every man from his house, and form his labour, that performeth not his promise, even thus be he shaken out and emptied." — Nehemiah 5:13.

QUOTE AND UNQUOTE: "Nowadays we have the haves, the have-nots and the credit card holders."



OFFICIAL SHOWING of the Brigham Young graveside monument; Dr. D. Orson Wright, (left) immediate past president of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers, sponsor organization; Sculptor Edward J. Fraughton, author of this and many other such exceptional art; and Thomas A. Lambert, president of SUP, give final approval to the sculpture.

## Portrays Family Unity And Hope

## **Brigham Young Graveside Sculpture Approved**

By Duane Cardall (Press Secretary of the SUP)

The working model has been completed, it has been approved by the first presidency of the LDS Church and work has begun on the large statue that will be placed at the site of Brigham Young's grave in Salt Lake City.

The Church has invited the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers (SUP) to help with the project. SUP in turn has commissioned popular Mormon artist Edward J. Fraughton to sculpture a monument in memory of the pioneers who came to the Salt Lake Valley more than a hundred years ago. Dedication has been set for June 1, 1974.

Fraughton describes the piece as a "forward looking, family group." The wife is clinging to the husband, who presides over the family, and the child is clinging to both.

Costs \$25,000

"It's an effort to create a feeling of family unity and hope for tomorrow," said Fraughton. "The family has arrived in the valley and 'all is well', he said. "Now, they're looking to the future."

Members of The National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers have been challenged to raise \$25,000 for the project. SUP President Thomas A. Lambert says the society is more than half way toward that goal. SUP hopes to have the money in by February 15, 1974.

In addition to the statue, plans at the gravesite include erection of two smaller monuments in memory of the composers of two popular LDS hymns-Eliza R. Snow who wrote "O My Father" and William Clayton, composer of "Come, Come Ye Saints."

The statue and the two monuments will be placed near the front of the gravesite, while the south portion, which includes Brigham Young's grave, will remain a memorial to the man who led the saints across the plains and directed the settlement of much of the West.

Part of a Tour

Once completed, the Pioneer Mon-

ument and Brigham Young's gravesite will become part of a walking tour of historic Salt Lake City sites. Other stops on the tour will include Temple Square, The Beehive House and the new Church Office Building.

Former SUP President and Chairman of the Monument Project, Dr. Orson D. Wright hopes the monument will become an effective missionary tool for the Church. He said, "It will be a means of acquainting people with the sacrifices made by the pioneers who settled the Valley."

Wright said the project also "gives SUP a chance to participate in a community project" which justifies its existence and "upholds the dreams of our ancestors." Dr. Wright reports that the chapters mostly have come along all very well with their contributions to the monument fund but urges the few that have not done so well, to make a renewed effort to get in these funds as promptly as possible.



Vernon P. Curtis, member of the National SUP Board and past presidnet of the Lehi Chapter, stands by monument in San Bernardino which recognized that the MB built the first road to the west to the coast by this southern route.



Harold H. Jenson, former SUP national president and Thomas A. Lambert, current president stand beside the plaque on this thirty-foot monument to the U.S. Mormon Battalion which marked the trail to the coast from this historic spot.

## Trek Over Battalion Trail Thrilling Experience

by Marvin E. Smith

After following the U. S. Mormon Battalion Trail from Santa Fe to San Diego Col. Fred M. Reese and Pres. Thomas A. Lambert brought their "troops" home on Nov. 15 with a much deeper respect for the courage, stamina, faith and character of those soldiers of 1846.

The 50 people traveled in charter buses and were warmly received in most of the cities with a dinner and program. Col. Reese's representatives in these communities are active, enthusiastic and getting good cooperation from the Explorers in locating and setting up markers on the Trail. In fact one almost gets the impression that these small groups in distant places show more dedication and effort in memoriliazing the Mormon Battalion than we here in Utah. These Explorers with their activities of honoring the pioneers, will become good prospects for membership in SUP when they become of age in a few years.

This Trail Trek was a dream come true for most of us who had been looking forward to it for several years. In addition, many were heard to say that it was a real joy to travel with such a congenial and friendly group of people.

There was a three-fold purpose for taking this tour: 1. To recognize the fine work being done by southern communities in preserving history and marking the US Mormon Battalion Trail; 2. To be bearers of good will and encouragement; 3. To become personally motivated in honoring our forebears as we are made aware of their accomplishment. A precious side effect is the increased love and respect for each other which develops when good people get to know each other better.

#### SANTA FE

Accompanied by beautiful weather and a dramatic view of Mesa Verde the tour arrived at the capital of New Mexico. And would you believe that Santa Fe (population 41,000) is the oldest seat of government in the United States? It was settled by Europeans in 1610. There is evidence that the Indians had a settlement here at least 400 years earlier. Excavations have uncovered ancient ruins.

Activities of the travelers included a flag ceremony at the campsite where the battalion rested 127 years prior. The Palace of the Governors was visited and then the group was met by Duane E. Olsen and escorted to the Santa Fe Ward where the Relief Scoiety served a delicious meal and provided an entertaining program. Two groups of girls did authentic Mexican dances under the direction of a ward member who was reared in Mexico City. Readings about the battalion were given by Bishop Gerry Graham's wife and by Audra M. Oldroyd, Relief Soc-

iety president.

Between Santa Fe and Albuquerque the buses stopped to admire a thirty-foot monument to the battalion. Virgil V. Peterson of Salt Lake City donated many hours of labor to the construction of this marker. He was a University student in Albuquerque at the time. Later he became an active officer in the Utah organization.

#### DOUGLAS, ARIZONA

Major Marvin Follett, senior officer in Douglas, welcomed everyone to his friendly community. The bishop turned the program over to the battalion at Sacrament meeting. Speakers were Marvin Follett, Mary Goodman and Col. Reese, with a solo by Lt. Col. Elmer B. Jones. Col. Reese told some history of the battalion and then recognized the important services of SUP President Thomas A. Lambert and Harold H. Jenson, former SUP president and historian for many years.

That evening Byng Beazer (formerly from Alberta, Canada) conducted a fireside gathering in honor of the visitors. Pres. Tom Lambert told of requirements for SUP membership, introduced his national board members, and honored Hal Jenson for his many years of effective service. Mr. Follett received a book from Commander Reese in recognition of his services in directing the

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#### HOLE-IN-THE-ROCK PIONEER DIES IN SAN JUAN AT AGE 93

BLANDING, Utah — Albert B. Lyman, the last man to come through the Hole-In-The-Rock in 1880, died Nov. 12, 1973 in Blanding. He was 93.

During his lifetime, spent mostly in San Juan County, he was a farmer, stockgrower, merchant, school teacher and author. He wrote a number of books about early pioneer life in southern Utah, particularly about Indians and the Mormon pioneers.

He not only knew and told the history of the San Juan country, but he wrote the history of the area, a story a week which he published in the town newspaper of which he was editor.

Some of the books he published include: "Indians and Outlaws," "The Native Blood," "The Outlaw of Navajo Mountain," "Man To Man," "Edge of the Cedars," and "Trail Of The Ancients."

Lyman was born in Fillmore, Utah in 1880, a son of Platte B. Lyman and Adelia Robison Lyman. His parents were called to the San Juan Mission, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints in 1879. His mother awaited the birth of her son before joining her husband in Bluff, carrying the babe on the journey over the Hole-In-The-Mountain Trail.

He married Mary Ellen Perkins, June 26, 1902 in the Salt Lake Temple. She died May 13, 1959. He later married Gladys Perkins Tommay who died April 10, 1972.

The funeral for Mr. Lyman was held Nov. 13 in the Blanding Ward Chapel and burial was in the Blanding Cemtary.

## Friendly Enemy

President Lincoln was once taken to task for his attitude toward his enemies.

"Why do you try to make friends of them? You know they will only be traitors. You should try to destroy them."

"Am I not destroying my enemies," Lincoln gently replied, "when I make them my friends? And a friend is never a traitor,"

#### Be A Friend

What is the secret of making friends? There is no secret. Friends, like all good things in this life, can be had by anyone who wants them. There is only one simple rule to follow; it is this: To have a friend, be one yourself.

# Trek Over Mormon Battalion Trail Proves Exciting Trip For 50 SUP's

(continued from preceding page)

Explorers and Venturers in surveying and erecting several monuments in the area. Fred reviewed the circumstances relating to his call to serve the "MB" by Pres. David O. McKay. Marvin Smith told some of the ways in which the original battalion differed from other U.S. Army units and told of some of the events about the capture of Ft. Tucson. As in other gatherings, Mary Goodman conducted the musical program. Solos by Marj Dubach, Sr. Johnson (Douglas) and a duet by Billy and Iris Hurd. Sr. Follett reported that a descendant of one of the teamsters (non Church member hired by the U.S. Army) recently joined the Mormon Church.

#### AQUA PRIETA, MEXICO

After a shopping tour of this typical Mexican village, Mr. Follett guided us to the San Bernardino Ranch (now known as the Slaughter Ranch), and several other historic Battalion sites.

We then headed north-east via Bisbee and Benson and other monuments. The famous charge of the wild bulls occurred here. The notorious town of Tombstone provided its share of historic interest.

#### TUCSON

President Leamon Reneer met us as we arrived and guided us to many points of interest in Tucson, where the battalion captured the Fort on Dec. 16, 1846 and raised the first American Flag. Our informed guide gave much accurate history as he led us to many markers around the old Ft. Tucson where the new Civic Center is located.

Pres. Reneer arranged for Judge Jesse A. Udall to come form Phoenix to address the visitors. An informative outline was presented on the early Mormon migrations to Arizona. Judge Udall's grandfather was Capt. Jefferson Hunt of Company A. Christopher Layton who raised the Stars and Stripes over Ft. Tucson is the grandfather of our gracious host Leamon Reneer.

#### EL CENTRO, CALIF.

A surprise awaited us at El Centro where a group of Explorers and Venturers had arranged and planned a dinner and program. Battalion Officers William Farris and Robert Lamoreaux handed Col. Fred M. Reese 16 applications for membership. They have arranged for a marker on the highway and plan to have it ready in January.

The Explorers sang the Mormon Battalion song, and Blaine Thompson gave the history of his great grandfather Capt. Samuel Thompson. The Ladies Auxiliary leader, Mary Goodman, spoke, then called up several musical numbers. Col. Reese talked and introduced Pres. Lambert, Harold H. Jenson (public relations officer), and Sheriff S. Grant Young (grandson of Pres. Brigham Young). The Battalion Trail Sweetheart, Ruth Bagley (granddaughter of Cyrene Bagley), was introduced to the audience by Col. Smith.

#### SAN DIEGO

Motoring past sand dunes we followed the trail through the desert to Box Canyon and on to Warner's Ranch, thence to the Visitors Center in Oldtown, San Diego. This is the Center which Pres. Harold B. Lee dedicated in Nov. 1972 with Dr. Orson D. Wright giving one of the prayers at the service. Tom Lambert, Col. Reese and four other soldiers were in attendance by invitation.

Troop 390 of the Grossmont Ward assisted with the flag ceremony. Major Paul Lofke arranged for the participation of these young men. A visit was then made to Presidio Hill, Ft. Stockton, where three monuments were viewed. One was presented to the City by the SUP about four years ago. The other two also honor the battalion and were presented by the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers. One of the markers pays tribute to the five women who traveled the total distance to the Pacific Ocean.

We appreciated the welcome extended also by Keith A. Sears, representing public relations for the San Diego Stakes.

#### HOME AGAIN

The Ray Alston's left us at San Bernardino to spend a week with their family in L.A. Then when our friends the Prestwich's and Palmer's disembarked at Cedar City, we knew that we would soon be home.

Lt. Col. Elmer B. Jones was a capable bus captain as well as soloist. Other musicians performing on programs besides those already mentioned include vocalist Martha Jenson and the harmonica duet of Walter and Ida Ewell.

SUP Board members accompanying Pres. Lambert were Capt. Veron P. Curtis, Marold H. Jenson and Marvin E. Smith

## Cozy Little Chapel By The Bend Of The Stream

# East Mill Creek 'Meeting House' To Be Razed



Picturesque East Mill Creek Chapel (Serves Ward 95 Years)



Original One-Room EMC Chapel (School 1878-1893)

#### By Joy F. Dunyon

Driving east on Evergreen Avenue between rows of stately pine and spruce trees, you are thrilled at the sight of a picturesque chapel rising majestically on a small knoll by the bend of the road. You feel as though you were suddenly transported to one of the beauty-spots of old New England.

For almost 96 years the hallowed old building has been the center of activity in East Mill Creek. Prior to its construction the people of the area were members of Big Cottonwood Ward of the Salt Lake Stake, but Pres Daniel H. Wells called a special meeting on July 18, 1877, and East Mill Creek Ward was formed.

Now, the General Authorities have decided that the classic and historical meeting house, which was in use some 96 years ago, must be razed. Demolition will begin in the spring and many an eye will leak a few tears to see the grand old edifice go the way of progress. As it is now the complete program of the Ward cannot be carried out adequately, and the wear and tear of almost a century on the fundamental structure, forbids remodeling.

#### Twice Remodeled

It was enlarged in 1916 and again in 1946 when basement classrooms and bishops' offices were provided, the foyer enlarged and a fine pipe organ put into the chapel. At that time it accommodated four wards and the stake.

The original chapel was a one room

brick building 28' x 50' with the entrance facing the west. There were three windows on the north, two on the west and three on the south. On the east was an exit door. Heat for the building was furnished by a pot-bellied stove, and when the wind blew, smoke came back into the chapel. It soon became so thick meetings had to be dismissed.

#### All-Purpose Place

The building was the center place for both worship and social activities.

The stand or rostrum was a large platform built across the east end of the room. It was elevated some three feet above the floor and closed across the front in order to provide storage space for stage properties, etc. A small table served as a pulpit. Against the east wall, on a long bench sat the bishopric and other dignitaries. When the dramatic club went into action for the winter season an extension large enough for a stage was built in front of the platform.

#### Social Events, Too

Dances, also, were held in this oneroom chapel. The band occupied the stand while the younger set lined themselves along the front of the platform admiring the musicians and dancers. As baby sitting was unheard of, babes in arms came along with mamas and papas.

It was in this chapel on March 4, 1900, that Sister Edith E. Fisher spoke in tongues, and Apostle John W. Taylor, who was present, rose to his feet and gave the interpretation of what was said.

From 1878 to 1893, this historic old building was used as a school house. A curtain was drawn through the middle of the room providing two classrooms.

East Mill Creek continued to grow and in 1901 the chapel was enlarged by adding a wing to the south. In 1913 two rooms and a heating plant were also added. The amusement hall built on the east was erected in 1925, and in 1935 a pipe organ previously used at the Gem Theater was purchased and installed in the chapel.

#### Pleasing Building

The growth of this chapel is indicative of the progress and development of this area. From the humble one room it emerged to a large, adequately equipped, pleasant building.

Ninety five years of history, pioneer hardships, growth, educational, religious and social accomplishments in every field of endeavor have unfolded within the walls of this building.

Most church officials and speakers who have joined in the worship service in this old pioneer "meeting house" have commented on the special atmosphere of hallowed reverence they felt, reflected in its venerated architecture, glorious colored glass windows and gently subdued decor.

An ultra modern, two-level chapel will be erected on the same spot as the structure soon to be razed.

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# Our Readers Write

#### Thanks For Histories

I would like to express appreciation for, not only myself but for the Historians Office, in thanking you for your thoughtfulness in making Harold H. Jenson's brief histories of the Sons of Utah Pioneers and the Mormon Battalion, available to us. These will be very helpful for the files that we have, and if it were not for Mr. Jenson's work in bringing them to us, I am sure they would not be properly taken care of or added to our histories as they should be.

I took the copy of The Pioneer into Glen Leonard's office so that he could see your good article on his new position, and this he appreciated very much. I will bring the attention of our supervisors to the Mormon Battalion march, just in case there is the possibility, some of them can go. It would be nice to go with you on this trek but with the many things waiting to be done, I am afraid we shall have to forego the pleasure. Thanks for all your splendid work.

Earl E. Olson
 Church Archivist

## Ban Smoking

Both the United States Senate and the House have passed rules against smoking tobacco on the legislative floors.

Section 1 of Rule XXXIV for the Senate is as follows: "The Senate Chamber shall not be granted for any other purpose than for the use of the Senate; no smoking shall be permitted at any time on the floor of the Senate, or lighted cigars be brought into the Chamber."

Section 7, Rule XIV for the House reads, in part, as follows: "Neither shall any person be allowed to smoke upon the floor of the House at any time."

— Desert News

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#### Thanks Bus Driver

It is quite fitting and proper at this time to express a word of thanks to Mr. Art Larsen, the congenial bus driver for Lewis Bros. Company, who took some 50 of us SUP and Mormon Battalion members on the battalion trek recently.

Mr. Larsen not only proved himself a most skillful and careful driver but also a singer and story teller par excellence. His stories were not only in good taste but always appropriate to the place where they were told. Moreover, Art never lost his smile or blew his cool when things went wrong which wasn't very often.

Let us hope Art can drive some of us to the national encampment at Sacramento next August, in one of those new \$73,000 buses (The Challenger) which this fine driver handles so expertly.

- Harold H. Jenson

#### Ode To Women

In Genesis 2:22 we are told that God took a rib from Adam's side while he was asleep, that is a deep, sound, sleep, and made a woman and presented her to Adam as a wife and helpmate. The following are a few thoughts on the matter:

"Women came from man, not from his head that she might rule over him, and not from his feet that she might be trampled upon; but from his side that she might be equal with him, and from near his heart that she might be loved by him, and from under his arm that she might be protected by him."

Thought this might be of interest to some who haven't read it.

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## The Secretary Reports

## Three New Life Members Run Total To 133

By George C. Lloyd National Executive Secretary

The national officers of SUP, since the last publication of The Pioneers, have welcomed three new life members, extending the total number in the select circle to 133. This has been the biggest year ever in the Sons of Pioneers, for enrolling life members. The life member pays \$100 dues in advance and never has to pay any dues the remainder of his life.

The three new members, with a brief resume on the careers of each follows:

LORIN CHURCH MILES, Cedar City, Utah. In November of 1973 Lorin became Life Member No. 131. He had served as national vice president for the Southern Utah Area for about two years and rarely missed a monthly meeting of the executive board at Pioneer Village. This meant driving 500 miles to carry out his responsibility. His contribution in logical counsel at these meetings is respected by his associates

Teacher, educator and historian, he found joy and satisfaction in associating with young people in school, church and community activities. Legion youth programs, recreational supervision and participation in singing groups are listed among his avocations, a mission to California and later an assignment with Mrs. Miles to the Brittish-South field constitute part of his Church activities.

The National Board and Cedar City Chapter members extend sincere sympathy to Lorin in the passing a few months ago of Mrs. Miles.

W. DEAN BELNAP, who recently affiliated with the Pioneer Chapter, becomes Life Member No. 132. Dr. Belnap, a pediatrician living in Bountiful, Utah, is a graduate of the University of Utah and of Western Reserve University of Cleveland, Ohio.

In addition to an active medical practice, he presided over the Utah School Boards and was chairman of the Pacific Region School Boards. He is a director of child development clinic at the University of Utah and also of the Utah State Department of Health.

Dr. Belnap presided over the English-East Mission during 1969-1970 and has been a member of the Priesthood



Horace A. Sorensen enjoys a relaxing evening at the Mormon Battalion Banquet and Program, Gov. Calvin Rampton was present and referred to Mr. Sorensen as one of Utah's outstanding citizens.

# Annual Battalion Program and Dinner Proves To Be Gala Social Event of '73

By Col. Marvin E. Smith

The annual Mormon Battalion banquet and program seemed to be the most enjoyable yet. Col. Fred M. Reese emceed the pleasant program and presented pins to Gov. Calvin L. Rampton (speaker), and to Horace A. Sorenson, director of Pioneer Village, the Railroad Museum, and past national SUP president.

Correlation Committee. He and his wife, the former Mary Elen Bennett, are the parents of six children.

We look forward to learning more of his activities as the SUP Chapter in Davis County takes form in the near future.

LaMAR JOSEPH GARDNER, Life Member No. 133, is not only an enthusiastic former president and member of the East Mill Creek Chapter, but also a loyal supporter of The Pioneer Magazine. Being an optician, he organized the Gardners Optical some twenty-five years ago and now has four service locations in the Salt Lake Valley.

Mr. Gardner served as president of the East Mill Creek Chapter in 1967 and that same year instituted a community July 1st celebration for the historical East Mill Creek area. This affair is designed to be observed every five years.



Mary Goodman, representing the Ladies Auxiliary, made presentations to Mrs. Rampton and Mrs. Sorenson.

The governor recognized the historical signifance of the battalion and went on to share some of his

family experiences on their recent trip to Europe where they met their son who was just released form the Italy North Mission. He also eulogized Horace Sorenson as a great citizen of Utah for his effective services to the public.

Chairman for the occasion was Elmer B. Jones, CO for Utah. Other guests were Chaplain and Mrs. Virgil H. Peterson of Lehi, Sculptor and Mrs. Ed Fraughton, Pres. Thomas A. Lambert and wife.

Marj Dubach, congenial program chairman, presented books to Col. Reese. Helping to create a happy enening was a ladies' string trio, a vocal trio with Marj, a male quartet, a ladies chorus and a novelty "Kitchenette" dance orchestra.

(see BANQUET next page)

## Three Utah Mayors, Going Or Coming, Are Members of SUP

Going, coming and staying, mayors of three principal Utah cities are members of the National Society, Sons of Utah Pioneers. Jake Garn, is major-domo in Salt Lake City; Verl G. Dixon is leaving his post as high lord potentate of Provo and Harold B. Felt, at the first of the year, takes on the helm of government in Brigham City. All are active in SUP.

Mayor Garn and Mrs. Garn in 1972 were acclaimed the "Outstanding Couple" in the society at the encampment in Provo. Mayor Dixon is a past president of SUP in which position he was highly acclaimed and revered. Harold Felt, "Man of versatility" — violinist, singer, mortician and community leader continues to run the gamut in the role of commercial photographer.

## Pioneer Chapter Of SUP Votes In Rees Jensen President

Rees Jensen, 3051 Ranier Ave., Salt Lake City, has been elected president of the Pioneer Chapter, Sons of the Utah Pioneers.

Mr. Jensen is a stockbroker and a former president of the Stanford Business School Association of Utah.

Other new officers chosen by the 80-member chapter are: Warren B. Davis, president-elect; Edwin C. Skeen, first vice president; Cloyd Wangsgaard, secretary; William Christensen, treasurer and Lorin D. Wiggins, historian.

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## Lehi Chapel Marker Dedicated

Lehi Free Press News Service

Dedication services for the marker placed on the site of the historic old Lehi Meeting House were held Sunday, Nov.4, 1973.

President Virgil Peterson conducted the service and Randall Schow opened the meeting with prayer. The Hi-Los sang a beautiful rendition of "Come Come Ye Saints" and short remarks were given by President Peterson, Stake President Dean Worlton was the next speaker and President Herman C. Goates offered the dedicatory prayer. The patriotic hymn "They Call It American, But I Call It Home" was sung by the Hi-Los and Suel Bushman, President of the Lehi Chapter of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers, closed with prayer.

Present at the services were the National President of the SUP, Thomas A. Lambert, and Colonel Marvin Smith, National Director of the SUP. Also present were members of Stake Presidency.

President Virgil Peterson, chairman of the marker project, wishes to thank on behalf of the chapter and committee, those who contributed funds. The Lehi Coordinating Council and all individuals who made contributions. "Be-

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A new SUP marker in Lehi commemorates the ancient, beloved old "Lehi Meeting House" which served the community and church for 96 years. The monument was the project of the Lehi Chapter and cost \$1,000.

cause of the generosity of these people, we were able to pay for the monument and will have funds for maintenance and care of the marker in future years.

## BANQUET

(from preceding page)

Lt George Rigby and wife, Myrel, have received a call to serve in the Argentine East Mission. The couple is from Lehi.

Dawson and Melba Stephens were honored Nov. 24, on their Golden Wedding anniversary. Dawson is finance officer for Co. A.

It is good news to hear that both Sheldon Brewster and Elmer G. Thomas are improving in health following hospitalization. Another stalwart we miss is Col Elias L. Day.

We have the highest regard for Virgil H. Peterson and the Lehi SUP chapter for the fine monument to the first chapel in their community, and for the fine dedicatory services. Incidentally, Virgil had a birthday on December 13. He and Leota just moved into a brand new home which is large enough to contain all their descendants for special occasions like a birthday or Christmas.

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## Minnie Moore Observes 100th Birthday With Luncheon Program

Mildren (Minnie) Moore, 645 So. 13th East St. Salt Lake City, celebrated her 100th birthday on Nov. 30, 1973 with a luncheon-program attended by more than 100 friends, relatives and neighbors.

Mrs. Moore is still vitally interested in life and did all her cooking and housework up until her 97th year. She is a music devotee and her chief recreation interest is listening to the Mormon Tabernacle Choir and the Lawrence Welk television program.

Her advice at 100 years: "Keep good habits and don't drink or carouse, and above all encourage your children to work for themselves."

She was born Nov. 30, 1873 in Provo, daughter of John Jacob and Mary Ann Cluff Boshard. Her father was a convert to The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints from Switzerland and came to Utah in the early days of the Church.

She married Fred J. Moore in 1893 in Provo. He died in 1917, leaving her with three small children.

## George Washington: Still 'An American First'

By Inez Robb (In the Deseret News, Feb. 22, 1960)

All my life I have been glad that I completed the first eight grades before the debunkers took over American history and American heroes. Perhaps I grew up in the last age of innocence, but to us in the old Lincoln School in Caldwell, Idaho, the founding fathers were more than lifesize, worthy of honor, veneration and emulation.

So when the debunkers took out after George Washington — he was their first target — his image as a man noble, dedicated and immortal was too fixed

to be shaken by lesser men.

Pendulums do not stand still, and it is a delight to read an appraisal of George Washington in the Feb. 20 issue of the "Saturday Review" by Marshall Fishwick, professor of American studies at Washington and Lee University. His conclusions are so apt for our times, so pointed in an election year, that I have asked permission to quote from the article, titled, "The Man in the White Marble Toga."

"He is still first in everything," Mr.

Fishwick begins.

"Let the supersalesmen of the happiness cult in our times take note. The father of our country did not have the quick smile and neat phrase which we are all urged to cultivate. He kept his distance, and few men called him

George.

"Washington was capable, aristocratic, commanding; he had the look of greatness. He lived at a time, and participated in events, which aroused the heroic. His incredible patience and tonacity personified the colonies' noble but difficult task. He refused to usurp either military or civilian power. When the times that tried men's souls were past, he returned to the land.

#### The Human Side

"Washington's aloofness preserves his reputation, but it also minimizes his warm-blooded, human side. There was fire and venom and drama enough in the real Washington. Think of Washington in Newburgh in 1783 when fronted by the impetuous document of his officers who felt mistreated by the Continental Congress. 'Gentlemen, you will permit me to put on my spectacles, for I have not only grown gray, but almost blind in the service of my country,' he said. Not a man felt, after that simple statement, that he should complain.

"Recall the directions Washington's step-grandson gave a visitor to Mount



George Washington
... Virtue, Idealism, Piety

Vernon, 'You will meet with an old gentleman riding alone, in plain, drab clothes. That is General Washington'.

#### Virtue and Piety

"In all these tales Washington epitomizes the traits of which young America was fondest: virtue, idealism,

and piety. His flaws seem pale when held up against this central proposition; he was willing to stake his life and his fortune on his high principles, to take up without question a task others could not perform. This is the basis of his real forme and 'second fictional life.'

"Men in gray flannel suits may learn a lot from the story of the man in the v hite marble toga. It is not by bending to every whim and request that we achieve real popularity, or by following every popular cause that we become

great.

"There are times to smile, and times to scowl; to confuse the occasions is an act of cowardice. Washington lacked many of the attributes of some heads of chambers of commerce and multiechelon organizations. The one thing he never lacked, even when he was in error or defeat, was integrity.

"To have men like Weems, Sparks, Stuart, Houdon, Bloom and Freeman behind him was a tremendous help. But Washington never looked back to see just who was behind him, or which way opportunism pointed. That is why he became the father of his country.

"That same country, and the men who guide its destiney today, might well

ponder his story."

#### FRIENDSHIP

Your hand is worth a million when it meets another hand in friendship. It may not mean a thing today. It may not bring results tomorrow. It may develop nothing for a week, a month or even a year. But, once you sow the seed of friendship, the results are bound to come—make no mistake about that.

Bulletin North Toronto, Ont.

#### PIONEER CHAPTER GROWS

Cloyd Wansgaard, executive officer of the Pioneer Chapter SUP, Salt Lake City, reports 76 members have paid their chapter dues this year. The group recently enrolled four new members: Roger L. Hansen, Jerry C. Higginson, Thomas L. Neff and Dr. John A. Shaw.



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## First Place SUP Award-Winning Story (1973)

## 'ELIZA'

Eliza perched on her trunk of belongings, cheerfully waving good-bye to her newly found friends and acquaintances. All the many years she had worked toward the realization of this dream. She stared down at her feet, at her worn brown shoes...

Mother, dear Mother, how I miss you now! Oh, that I could go home again, home to you and Daddy and Maria – beautiful Maria. Where are

those days? . .

Benjamin and Sarah Saudners were diligent and loving parents. Their home in England radiated a gentle warmth as the family worked and played together. Maria and Eliza knelt side by side for evening prayers, their brown hair shimmering in the candlelight. In sunlight, their laughter said simply how good was life.

Eliza grew rapidly during those days. She changed as quickly as each progressing season; reaping armloads of flowers from the spring, a new batch of freckles from the sun, and sniffles from not wearing galoshes in the rain, skipping through every carefree day . . .

I never did cry. Not when I scraped my elbow, not even when Daddy died. I held Maria's hand and we made a pact. We were Daddy's soldiers, brave and not afraid, strong through Mother's tears and awake all through the night.

Days were confusing after Benjamin died. Sarah went to work in a glove and dress making factory. Eliza, almost nine, busily scrubbed floors, mended socks, and scoured pans to help keep the jobs done.

#### Sickness Strikes

Suddenly she became very ill. Scarlet fever was threatening nearly every household in Clifton. In the Saunders' home, Eliza had become its victim. Sarah sat at her bedside through long and discouraging nights. She was so slow to recover! Eventually, the fever settled in Eliza's hip. Doctors assured them that her body would continue to grow normally but, one leg would be slower to develop than the other one. She would walk with a limp every day of her life . . .

Do you remember my "new shoes" the one built much higher than the other one? We seldom got anything new and I was delighted. But, I can still see your face. I recall the way you looked that day, Mother, I waddled toward



Marsha G. Ford
... authors prize story

you so awkwardly, your beautiful – but crippled – little Eliza...

It was a timid and frightened girl who approached the proprietor of the dressmaking factory that day, promising to work for any price. Household bills were mounting and Eliza, feeling a responsibility to her widowed mother, began work as an apprentice. Sarah stood at her side, supervising every stitch, as Eliza quickly learned the artistry in sewing a perfect seam.

#### Missionaries Call

One evening as Sarah and Eliza returned home, they were startled to find two men on their doorstep. They were missionaries from a new church, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Eliza had heard her neighbors tell about these "trouble-makers" and call them "Mormons." They were "selfproclaimed prophets, preachers of falsehood." These warnings passed through Eliza's thoughts as she listened to their story. They were gentle men and their countenance was proud, but as they testified to the truth of their church, their hands trembled and their eyes clouded with tears. These men had left their families alone in America and had come to England to proclaim this new gospel.

If Eliza and her mother accepted the message of these missionaries, they would be ostracized by both friends and family — there would no longer be peace in their little home, In spite of this, Eliza asked the missionaries to re-

## - by Marsha G. Ford

turn often and each time they visited they found the Saunders eager to open their hearts to this unfamiliar new church

And there was the answer to all we had wished for, Mother. We stood on the river bank, you and I, clutching each others hand. You were first and I watched you wade out into the water — my example, my strength, my angel dressed in purest white — entering

the waters of baptism . . .

Few weeks passed after their conversion before it was evident how bitter the neighbors had become. Eliza overheard other Saints complaining that their friends, too, had grown openly malicious and intent on driving these "Mormons" from their homes. Although Eliza felt a peaceful happiness, she knew it would be incomplete as long as she was mocked and persecuted for what she believed and treasured most.

#### Prepare For "Zion"

One Sunday it was announced in church that many of the members had booked passage on a ship leaving for America. After much planning and praying, the Saunders decided that they, too, would be better off among their own people. The freedom of worship they had missed wasn't really far away, and the missionaries promised that Zion was a beautiful place.

The months spent preparing for the voyage were hectic ones. Each spare penny was saved and every stitch meant that they were getting closer. But Sarah was getting old and seemed to tire quickly...she grew weaker every

day.

I'd have done it different if I could have, Mother. I stayed by your side constantly, heard you praying that we could just get to America. As I cared for you those last few days, your only concern was for me. You promised that everything would be alright. But, once there was another time when you had said, "There'll be a day when you'll find you're all alone. Save your courage for that day . . ."

Between the doctor bills and the funeral expenses, Eliza was left pennyless yet, she was determined to begin saving again. Without Sarah's loving encouragement it would be difficult. However, diligence brought blessings

(see ELIZA, next page)

## 'ELIZA' . . . . . SUP Award Story . . . . . — By Marsha Ford

for Mrs. Walton, a family friend, had heard of their plans to go to America. Because it had been Sarah's last request Mrs. Walton set out to fulfill it. Eventually, Eliza's sewing reaped new profits and with this added help, she had saved her passage money.

#### The Ellen Maria

In the cold morning air on Jnauary 17, 1853, Eliza huddled together with three hundred and thirty-two other Saints on the deck of the Ellen Maria. Elder Moses Clawson was their leader and as they slowly sailed from Liverpool, he encouraged them to sing and to pray; to trust that they would be safe from hardship in that new land.

Just minutes away from the dock in New Orleans, an elderly man came to Eliza and said, "My wife is very ill. I have some money in my boxes but I can't get it until later. Would you loan me some money so I can buy something to tempt her appetite?"

Not knowing what she would find

for herself, Eliza opened her little bag and gave the gentleman all she had, one lone shilling. As he thanked her she said with tearfilled eyes, "May the Lord bless your wife, sir, and make her better."

It was getting dark and still Eliza sat, waiting for nothing, watching the water lap at the dock; the water that left home very far behind. She wasn't frightened, just alone and bewildered. What a nightmare this had turned out to be. . .

Mother, can't you help me? If you are with God, why won't either of you listen? Dear God, You have sent me Your message of truth, now I am deserted. Bless me, please. . .

Eliza heard two voices coming out of the darkness, an immediate answer to her prayer.

"I just don't know where to look. I con't find anyone to do that sewing for me."

Eliza spoke timidly as the two women paused, "Please, I am a good seamstress. Let me do it for you."

#### Earns Her Fare

Mrs. Pitman took Eliza and her little box home with her. Eliza stayed for only a month. She had saved enough money to sail up the Mississippi River to Keokuk, Iowa.

In Keokuk there were ox teams, wagons, and a dusty trail leading west. The heat and dirt were new yet, satisfying to Eliza. Although she was handicapped, she would do her share. The agreement she made with the wagonmaster was this; every morning she would wake earlier than the rest and walk as fast as her lameness would allow. When the wagons caught up with her she would ride with Captain Wheelock and work as the camp seamstress. Throughout the rest of the day and evening she'd mend and sew for the entire company . . .

We're just a few days away from the valley. My face is sunburned, my hands are rough. My hair is streaked with sunlight and I am alive. Dear Mother, can you see your Eliza? Can you see how blessed she's been?...

When finally they reached Salt Lake City there were real beds and open arms waiting for them. Eliza wasn't even settled before news spread of her talent. She began working for the Young family. When she wasn't sewing she cared for their little son, Levi. They begged her to stay but when she was no longer needed, she moved on. She lived with the Riters, the Smiths, and the Wells. Then, one spring morning, Eliza stood in the yard brushing her hair. The man riding by did not even see her face.

#### Finds Her Mate

Alva Keller had lost his wife five years before. His heart had seemed dead. But now he knew. This dainty English lady would share his life and his eternity.

It was a beautiful day. A hot Rocky Mountain summer day, July 1855. In the Endowment House, Alva and Eliza knelt, facing each other. He reached across the altar and gently took her tiny hand. . .

He is a strong man and I will never be alone again. There will be more trials for us, for our people but, this is a blessed beginning, Mother... for all of us. For Alva and me, for our children, for Daddy and Maria and for you, Mother...



## THE 1856 MORMON HANDCART IMMIGRATION

# **Expedition Of Firm Faith And Grim Tragedy**

(Condensed From "Essentials In Church History" by Joseph Fielding Smith.

The early missionaries laid the foundation for the preaching of the gospel in many foreign lands, which has continued since that time with remarkable success. Thousands of converts have gladly received the message of salvation and with the spirit of gathering resting upon them, have come to "Zion", as the prophets foretold, with songs of everlasting gladness.

The early companies came into the Salt Lake Valley with oxen, mules, horses, and heavy-laden wagons. The people quite generally were under the necessity, many of them, of walking across the plains by the side of their

wagons.

plains.

It became apparent that other and cheaper methods would have to be employed to accommodate the increasing immigration. As early as 1851 the First Presidency suggested the use of handcarts as a means of making the journey from Iowa westward. There were in the Valley of the Great Salt Lake at that time some who had already crossed the plains in that manner. It was not until the year 1856, however, that the idea was impressed upon the foreign saints, and then only after repeated suggestions. When they did take hold of it, they entered into the spirit of handcart transportation with enthusiasm, especially with the members of the

#### The First Companies

Church in the British Isles. With hand-

carts the British saints could make the

journey from Liverpool to Salt Lake City for about \$45.00, coming by way

of Boston or New York to Iowa City

where they were fitted out to cross the

The first handcart companies to cross the plains were led by Edmund Ellsworth and Daniel D. McArthur. Ellsworth's company numbering 266, left Iowa City, June 9, 1856. McArthur followed two days later with a company of 220. A third and smaller company of

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Pioneer handcart companies followed the first wagon trains in the mass migration westward. Thousands of converts who could not afford teams and wagons packed the bare necessities of life into small hand-drawn carts and pushed or pulled them over the plains and mountains to their new land of promise. In this artists sketch a company is cought in a snowstorm. —Deseret News Art.

pany of Welch saints, under command of Edward Bunker, left on June 23. The members of these three companies pushed their carts containing all their earthly possessions over the plains and mountains, and through rivers and streams a distance of about 1300 miles.

A few deaths among the more aged and infirm occurred along the way but these companies all arrived in Salt Lake City in fairly good condition and happy to be in Zion. The companies of Ellsworth and McArthur arrived on Sept. 26, having been delayed by the breaking down of carts which were built of unseasoned timber and therefore could not stand the strain of the excessive heat on the plains that summer. They were met by the First Presidency and a large group of citizens with a brass band. These companies arrived with 96 handcarts, five wagons, 24 oxen, four mules and 25 tents. The Bunker company arrived Oct. 2, without having suffered any serious losses.

The Willie and Martin Companies

Two other companies with handcarts fitted out in the summer of 1866 were mainly from Great Eritain and

> Wasatch Lawn Memorial Park

Ph. 466-8687 3401 Highland Drive Scandinavia. They arrived in Iowa City near the end of June and in the early part of July, where they were disappointed to learn that the tents and carts for their use, had not been provided. Consequently they were delayed until these necessary articles could be manufactured or purchased. The delay was dangerous, for the season was advancing, and the journey across the plains should not have been undertaken as late as the middle of July. The company, under the leadership of James G. Willie, left Iowa City, July 15, and Florence (Winter Quarters) on Aug. 19.

They were followed by a second belated company, the fifth of the season under the command of Edward Martin, about two weeks later. While at Florence, the question whether they should pursue their journey from that point or go into Winter Quarters, was discussed.

The majority was in favor of continuing on the way, although there were some dissenting voices, because of the lateness of the season and the dangers such a journey late in the summer and autumn, entailed. Nevertheless, the decision was reached and they determined to go on, rather than remain on the plains during the winter. They fully hoped to reach Salt Lake before the chilling blasts of winter could overtake them. This proved to be a fatal error,

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## **Mormon Handcart Immigration**

(from preceding page)

but one of course, unexpected by most of the travelers, since the winter season with its icy winds and blinding snows set in much earlier that year, and it was most severe.

The Babbitt And Margetts Tragedies

The fore part of this handcart company passed pleasantly enough for such a trip, except for the breaking down of carts and feelings of anxiety because of Indian raids. The Cheyennes were on the warpath and had made attacks on preceding immigration trains. In September, while the handcart companies were on the Platte, Almon W. Babbitt, secretary of Utah, and a number of his camp were killed. They were on their way to Utah from Washington, with a train of government property. A short time later Thomas Margetts and wife; James Cody, wife and one child, who were on their way to England, were killed by the marauding Indians. News of these massacres did not tend to tighten the hearts of the handcart immigrants, but it did tend to make them more vigilant. Even then they were deprived of many of their cattle which were stolen by the redman.

Not withstanding all these difficulties and dangers, these two companies moved ahead with all possible speed. In the fore part of their journey they made favorable daily progress, but as they continued, the roads became more rough and repairs were constantly necessary. Due to the lightness of their carts and the hasty manner in which they were constructed of unseasoned wood, the vehicles began to fall to pieces before the companies were well on their journey. Repairs required

much valuable time.

When they were on the Platte in the middle of September, the first storms of the season were encountered which increased in severity day by day. On Sept. 30, Capt. Willie's company arrived in Ft. Laramie, 500 miles east of its destination and the next day continued on its way. From this point on they encountered the hardest part of their travel, with winter fast approaching and their rations growing less. Strict restrictions were placed upon them. What was worse, due to the loss of convey-

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ances and the heavy grades they had to climb, when thay reached the mountain they had to discard considerable cargo. Clothing and bedding had to be left on the way that progress might be made. Thus, they were exposed to piercing winds, bitter cold and winter storms, causing them severe suffering and some of the less hardy travelers were placed in untimely graves along the way

#### Much Extreme Suffering

The sufferings of the advance company, was repeated with even greater severity by the one that traveled in the rear. The Martin company was composed of a larger number of women and children, and the punishing weather, augmented by many other difficulties, caused greater loss of lives in their ranks.

On the Sweetwater, these immiggrants encountered extreme winter weather, with exceedingly heavy snowfall. After one of these storms 15 members of the camp died in one day.

Through reports of returning missionaries who passed these handcart companies on the way, President Brigham Young learned of their plight. Fearing for their safety, he organized relief parties and sent them out with provisions — clothing, food and bedding.

As the rescuers pressed on, they discovered the Martin Company in a ravine between the Platte and the Sweetwater. The place was designated as "Martin's Ravine," and here the sufferers had made their camp. They had about given up all hope and were ready to succumb to the rigorous and persecuting winter, when word came that relief was coming. The joy that filled the hearts of these survivors — for death had charged such heavy toll that the ravine was like an over-crowded tomb—is beyond the power of mortal pen to describe.

With the help of the brethren and the supplies from the valley, the survivors of these two belated trains, arrived in Salt Lake City in November, Capt. Willie's company arrived on Nov. 9 and Capt. Martin's group three weeks later. Out of Capt. Willie's company of between 400 and 500 some 77 had perished. Of the Martin Company about one fourth of the 576 who started found graves along the way.

Other companies with handcarts crossed the plains in subsequent years, with far less suffering having learned from the experiences of the earlier companies



Abraham Lincoln 1809 - 1865

## President Lincoln Friend of Mormons

Throughout the many years since President Abraham Lincoln's Administration, (1860-1865) Latter-day Saints have been unanimous in their devotion to his memory and in their praise of him as President and as a person. Numerous articles in his honor have appeared in church magazines and newspapers, and he has been quoted and referred to repeatedly in sermons and lessons for the examples he set.

Perhaps the most stirring tribute paid him by church officials was penned by L.D.S. President Heber J. Grant who wrote, "We honor Abraham Lincoln because we believe absolutely that God honored him and raised him to be the instrument in His hands of saving the Constitution and the Union."

Lofty tribute was paid him in 1954 when a bronze Lincoln statue was presented to New Salem State Park, Illinois, by the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

To these examples could be added many others to show that Lincoln is greatly loved and honored by the Latter-day Saints. This man, who befriended them at the time of his ascendency to the office of President of the United States, was magnanimous enough during the most severe period in this nation's history to extend to the Mormon people the hand of tolerance and the kind of treatment which won for him their undying respect, gratitude and honor. — Utah Historical Quarterly



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## Six Mormon Prophets

PROPHETS I HAVE KNOWN, new insights into the lives of six presidents of the Mormon Church by Elder Joseph Anderson who served as their secretary; 248 pages, illustrated; Deseret Book Co.; \$4.95.

As their personal secretary, Joseph Anderson, now an assistant to the Council of the Twelve, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, is of all the many church writers, best qualified to write about the ministry of Pres. Heber J. Grant, George Albert Smith, David O. McKay, Joseph Fielding Smith and Harold B. Lee. Long before the days of the tape recorder, Elder Anderson took down in shorthand the addresses of the church leaders for the official records.

Starting with Pres. Grant, the author describes this remarkable man as firm and uncompromising with wrong-doing yet kind and sympathetic to all. Elder Anderson reports that Pres. Grant trusted his finances to his secretary's keeping explicitely, "Never once did he speak an unkind word to me," the author comments.

Pres. George Albert Smith is described as "a man who loved all men." It is said of him that he "loved many an indifferent brother back into the church." He was a devoted worker for Scouting and a wonderful friend and fellow member of the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

Pres. David O. McKay is termed "A Man of World-Wide Vision." He did much to promote love and consideration of the family. His devotion to his lovely companion Emma Rae, was an inspiration to the heads of families in the church, especially in showing gentle, thoughtful little courtesies. Pres. Mc Kay's outstanding accomplishment was in the building of temples and chapels throughout the world.

Pres. Joseph Fielding Smith is termed "A Man of Great Testimony." A prolific writer, he is acknowledged as the foremost scripturist of this dispensation. He regarded his family as his fortune and loved every one of his

kinfolk with a very great love.

Pres. Harold B. Lee is referred to as "The Man Of The Hour" in our day as he has brought about great activity by the youth of the church, revising the whole program. The Mutual Improvement Association, formerly an auxiliary, has become "an arm of the Priesthood," under Pres. Lee which setup is explained in detail in the book. Pres. Lee's ministry, which started principally in the Welfare Program, has given him incomparable understanding and leadership in this vital phase of church administration.

Elder Anderson's book pays splendid tribute to the counselors to these presidents, among them Anthon H. Lund, Anthony W. Ivins, Charley W. Nibley, J. Reuben Clark, Henry D. Moyle, Hugh B. Brown, Alvin Dyer, Nathan Eldon Tanner, Marion G. Romney, Thorpe B. Isaacson and others. Harold H. Jenson

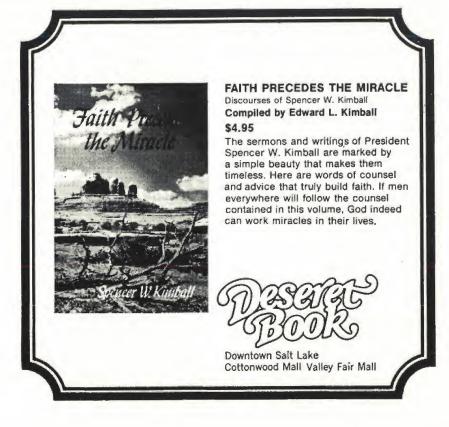
## The Indian Story

THE SPIRIT OF GERONIMO RETURNS, an update on the struggles of the American Indian, by Zula C. Brinkerhoff; LDV Distributing Co. P.O. Box 1916, Salt Lake City; \$2.95 paperback, \$4.95 cloth, plus 25 cents postage.

This excellent volume is intended to help the white people to understand more fully the ideals, aspirations and goals of the American Indian. The author contends that very few people know what it is the Indians are fighting for, and their side of the story of Wounded Knee, the March on Washington, D.C. and the struggle at Pot River. The account of these activities go a long way in telling what the Indian Movement is all about.

For more than 14 years Zula Brinkerhoff has dedicated her life to the Indian people and their cause. She has attended many conclaves of the Indians by invitation and is an honorary affiliate with some 250 tribes. She has given approximately 3,000 talks in nine states. She was adopted by one tribe and given the name "Pax - Pa - Hutt-Paude - Cha - Pa", indicating she is a high princess.

Our libraries are rather scant on books about the American Indian. This one should help a lot to bridge this



#### Fine Family Reading

"PRINCIPLES, PROMISES AND POWERS," by Elder Sterling W. Sill; answers to many problems — social, intellectual and spiritual, 321 pages, illustrated; Deseret Book publishers; \$3.95.

Shakespeare wrote: "There is nothing good or bad, but thinking makes it so." A good old philosophical bromide says: "As a man thinketh, so is he."

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Elder Sill, in this book, answers many problems — social, intellectual, and spiritual that daily confront us all — particularly parents.

It is an excellent supplement of the Family Home Evening Manual.

The author gives credit to manu noted authorities on their particular realms of knowledge which are mingled with his own profound and sometimes humorous observations. With these of course are many forceful and appropriate quotes from the scriptures.

Some of the chapter titles convey best the contents of this volume: "Action and Reaction," . . . "We're All Mixed Up" . . . "A Book Of Instructions" . . . "Alienation of Affections" . . . and "So Much to Do."

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This fascinating and most revealing volume on Israelite history, must be regarded as one of the most helpful references yet available to students of "The Greatest Book On Earth."

Students and teachers of the ministry of Jesus, the Christ, will acquire much enlightenment by a thoughtful study of this exceedingly fine historical literary and gospel documentary.

To go into detail reviewing The Robinsons' account of the various places, episodes and people who are made alive, would of necessity be futile, in view of the abundance of enlivened material in the book. Suffice it to say that every episode is complete within itself with colored illustrations, mostly form pictures taken by the authors.

What particularly impressed this reviewer was the fact that when the authors were not sure the subject matter in some instances could be authenticated, they said so. The Dead Sea Scrolls is given a prominent place in the book with the story of their discovery. Proofs of baptism by immersion in Biblical times, are established.

The inspiration of the book is the Latter-day Saint version of the ministry of the Christ which is portrayed in a vibrant and convincing style. Any library would be greatly enhanced by the addition of "Israel's Bible Lands" by "Pres" and Christine Robinson.

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#### Women Of Mormondom

STORIES FROM THE LIVES OF LATTER –DAY SAINT WOMEN, a glowing and sincere tribute to outstanding women in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, by Leon R. Hartshorn, 174 pages, illustrated; Deseret Book Co.; \$4.95.

Spoken words soon pass on but writing such as Leon Hartshorn has in "Stories From The Lives Of Latter-day Saint Women," like monuments of stone, most surely will live on forever. The author is associate professor of church history at Brigham Young University.

Such great and historic women as Mary Fielding Smith, mother of the Prophet Joseph; Bathseba W. Smith, who was president of the Relief Society; Rachael Ivins Grant, mother of Pres. Heber J. Grant; Lucy Mack Smith, wife of the Prophet Joseph; Eliza R. Snow, the brilliant poetess; Sarah Pea Rich, wife of Charles C. Rich and many others, bring new insights into their amazing and abundant lives.

Interesting stories and sketches of LDS women of today are given place in this fine book. Among these are: Belle S. Spafford, Relief Society president; Elaine Cannon, nationally-acclaimed columnist and wife of D. James Cannon; LaRue C. Longdon, wife of the late Elder John Longdon, assistant to the Council of the Twelve; Emma Rae Riggs McKay, wife of the late beloved David O. McKay, president of the Church — 45 of such outstanding women — are featured in Prof. Hartshorn's new work.

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Harold H. Jenson

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#### J. Norman Jorgensen

J. Norman Jorgensen, 69, Salt Lake City businessman, sportsman and long-time member of the Salt Lake City Chapter, Sons of Utah Pioneers, died Nov. 4 at his home of natural causes.

Mr. Jorgensen was owner and operator of the Rose Shop which provided the flowers for many SUP banquets and programs over the years. He was a steady subscriber to the Pioneer Magazine advertising service.

He was a member of the Salt Lake Exchange Club in which he held several offices. He was also president of the Knights of the Round Table whose special project was promotion of baseball among 12-year old boys. This developed into the present Little League organization.

Through his flower shop he sponsored numerous basketball and bowling teams. He was a member of the Utah State Athletic Commission and a boxing judge whose services were provided in several states. He was boxing instructor at the Deseret Gym for 25 years and developed scores of outstanding boxers both amateur and professional.

Mr. Jorgensen also served as president of Footprinters, an organization of businessmen and police officers. He was active in the scouting program and was a Sunday School teacher, member of the Bonneville LDS Ward, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and held the office of a Seventy.

Survivors include: his widow; four sons, Dr. Robert Norman, Marina Del Rey, Calif.; Dr. Joseph Gilbert, Ann Arbor, Mich.; Dr. Craig Bailey, Palos Verdes, Calif.; Dr. David Gary, Woodside, Calif.; five grandchildren and his mother.

Funeral services were held Nov, 7 in the Bonneville Ward Chapel,

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#### Lorenzo E. Elggren

Lorenzo Edward Elggren, 93, long-devoted member of the Sons of Utah Pioneers, Salt Lake City Chapter, and former Utah state senator, died Nov. 18, 1973 in a Salt Lake rest home of natural causes.

He was one of the organizers of the Consumers Welfare League of Utah which he served from 1927 to 1945. He campaigned for peoples' rights throughout the Intermountain West and was appointed by Pres. Harry S. Truman to the Federal Power Commission.

Born in Malad, Idaho, Dec. 17, 1879, a son of Adolph F. and Johannah Samuelson, Elggren, he received his early education in Hooper, Weber County, Utah. In 1902 he graduated from the University of Utah where he was senior class president and a member of the varsity debate team.

In 1906 he helped organize Elggren Brothers Food Brokerage Co. Inc. in Chicago where he was in charge of sales for the Intermountain and Northwest territory. He also assisted his son Don in forming the Don Elggren Co. also a food brokerage firm.

Mr. Elggren was elected to the Utah State Senate in 1943 and served until 1951. He was a charter member of the board of directors of the United Nations of Utah and was a member of the Executive National Council of Senior Citizens. He was the oldest member of the board of his SUP chapter.

He married Flossie Elizabeth Ossman, March 20, 1907 in the Salt Lake Temple. She died Nov. 12, 1943. He married Olive Nixon Hickman Nov. 8, 1948.

Survivors include his widow; sons and daughters: L. Ossman, Portland, Ore.; Stephen B., Buffalo, N.Y.; Donald J., David D., Mrs. J. Chandler (Florence) all of Salt Lake City; Mrs. William (Elaine) Thompson, Mercer, Wash.; stepsons, stepdaughters, Dean Hickman, Eugene, Ore., June Hickman, New York City; Mrs. Ralph (Erma) Bird, Sacramento; Mrs. Vard (Elaine) Maxfield, Mrs. Wilford (Ruth) Coon, both of Salt Lake City; 23 grandchildren, 23 great grandchildren, 26 step grandchildren and 17 step great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Nov. 23 in the Yale LDS Ward Chapel and burial was in the Salt Lake City Cemetery.

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## The John Jensens Of Castle Dale Married 71 Years

CASTLE DALE, Utah — Mr. and Mrs. John Jensen of this city, fourth longest married in Utah, celebrated 71 years of married life on Oct. 9, 1973. Affectionately known as "Grandpa" and "Grandma", they were married in 1902 and have reared seven sons and daughters. In addition they have 23 grandchildren, 72 great grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren.

John Jensen was born March 27, 1883 in Castle Dale. Here he has worked as a harness maker, hauler of freight, confectionary store operator, stockman and farmer. Until 1973 he went to his farm every day and is still active and alert.

In public service Mr. Jensen served 32 years on the board of the Bureau of Land Management.

Adilia Jensen was born Jan. 27, 1884 in Prattsville, Utah, which is now known as Woodside in Emery County. Her parents are Louis Valentine and Mary Amelia Pedder Acord. She moved with her family to Oklahoma when eight years of age but returned to Castle Dale when when she was 12.

She has been an amateur painter and an artisan with the needle and a longtime Relief Society teacher. She has served also as a Primary teacher.

Both of the Jensens are in fairly good health and enjoy doing the home work together.

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## Church And The United States Will Not Fail

By Brigham H. Roberts

This is the land of Zion; the land where God has reestablished the last dispensation of the fullness of times, the dispensations for the Christian religion in the world, and the Church will not fail any more than the United States —

founded of God, will fail!



Brigham H. Roberts

It will persist until the kingdoms of our God and of his Christ and truth and liberty and righteousness shall be established. The earth was not founded of God to fail, but will go on from development to development until it shall become the celestial sphere where God has designated for it from the beginning.

I do not know what fortune awaits the Republic which Washington and his colleague patriots were so potent in founding. What will happen no one perhaps can

know unless it be a prophet of the Lord. But a government founded as was ours, extended as it was from ocean to ocean across a continent, preserved in its solidarity by the statesmanship of the great Lincoln and those associated with him in saving the nation which God had founded, gives me confidence ot believe that God has not founded this nation to have it fail and this despite the hazardous times through which it must pass

Earthquakes may rock our mountains, the sea may heave beyond its bounds; storms, tempests and draughts may lay desolate our beautiful valleys and the future may be dark. Individuals may fail; depressions may succeed depression; banks may be wrecked and all that is called misfortune may fall upon society within the boundaries of our Republic, but AMERICA WILL NOT FAIL!

Her destiny has not yet been achieved although she has already become the greatest and wealthiest and the most powerful nation on earth. She has been raised to this high eminence through her free institutions, and her matchless Constitution has been founded to accomplish yet greater victories in the world.

America will continue to flourish unhurt, amidst the warring elements until she has achieved all that for which she was founded and has so far maintained. Come what may, OUR AMERICA, THESE UNITED STATES were not established, at the hands of our blessed Lord, in order to fail!

— Conference Address, Feb. 21, 1932

# Old Spanish Trail Is Subject Of Dr. Hafen Lecture

Slave trade along the Old Spanish Trail was the topic of an illustrated lecture by Dr. LeRoy Hafen, BYU professor emeritus recently in the Jesse Knight Building on the "Y" campus.

The 79-year old historian covered some 150 years in his recent lecture entitled "The Opening and Development of the First Route From the Rockies to the Pacific." The free public presentation was part of the American West Lecture Series sponsored by the Charles Redd Center.

Material covered included development of the Mormon Trail to the mission at Las Vegas, Nev., and settlement of San Bernardo, Calif. He also related experiences with his first Model T Ford on the Arrowhead Trail in 1918.

Editor of the multi-volume "Mountain Men and Fur Trade in the Far West", Dr. Hafen has had more than 200 articles published in periodicals.

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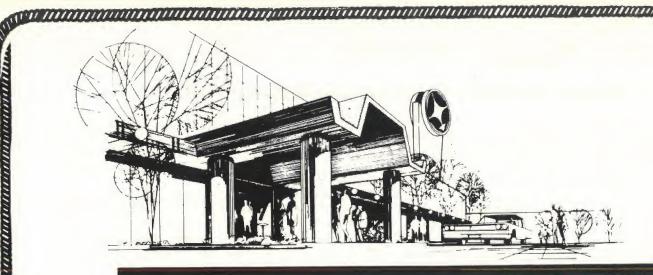
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